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# Education funding is "not as dire as first anticipated"

by PETER DOWNS  
Staff Reporter

Contrary to its earlier fears of deep cuts, the area's school board will receive a slight increase in provincial funding over the next three years.

Board officials were "cautiously optimistic" late last week after a first look at the government's new funding model for education.

But they say more details from Queen's Park and more analysis are required before they can draw a clear picture of the impact the funding changes will have on the school system.

And they're not ruling out possible layoffs for some teachers, school support workers and administrative staff.

However, last week's announcement of stable funding came as a relief to board administrators and trustees bracing themselves for the worst.

"I'm very cautiously optimistic," said Evelyn Brown, the board's acting director. "I think the situation is not quite as dire as was anticipated."

"I breathed a little bit of a sigh of relief when I first read it ... but we're still waiting to break it

down more and see the final implications," said board chair Cheryl Murdoch.

She and Brown said it could take the board's finance administrators at least two weeks to provide a more detailed analysis of the numbers.

Queen's Park, which took complete control of education funding in January, has promised to spend \$14.4-billion per year over the next three years while reducing "administrative waste."

The funding model — delayed for months and then leaked by the Liberals last Monday before its official release two days later — attempts to equalize per pupil funding across the province, regardless of location, religion or the economy of the area.

"The funding formula is based on student needs. I think that's a great breakthrough. It's what people asked for," said Victoria-Haliburton MPP Chris Hodgson. "... It's good news for parents. It's good news for students, particularly in our area. And it's good news for teachers."

Local taxpayers also benefit from the funding reforms, he

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## County GO

by MARTHA PERKINS  
Editor

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Even though the ... pick up an extra \$4... services as part of the province's downloading initiative, this might not translate into a tax increase for property owners.

The county will receive a grant for \$2.34-million more than it got last year under the province's Community Reinvestment Fund to help municipal governments cope with their new responsibilities, such as social assistance, public health and ambulances.

When you take into consideration the \$1.8-million it no longer has to pay for education, this means most of the costs for the downloaded services are covered by the grant. (To get the grant the county must cut its own spending by \$200,000.)

However, absorbing the costs of the OPP is not part of the downloading process because the responsibility was going to be transferred anyway. At a per

amount. It's a complicated accounting system, to say the least. The province is downloading services, but it is also making funds available to pay for them. The catch is that this funding is only expected to be offered this year and next, potentially creating a big tax hike in the year 2000.

The county's preliminary budget for 1998, including police, is \$24.4-million. Of that, local property owners will be responsible for \$6.5-million. (A final budget won't be passed until councils and the public have time to respond to the spending proposals.) Highlights include:

- \$273,600 to run the county office
- \$66,000 for Mutual Fire Aid (primarily to update and co-ordinate radio systems)
- \$521,710 for the county's

a total budget of \$2.5-million

- \$823,000 for social housing (rent-geared-to-income subsidies)
- \$5,000 for the railway corridor maintenance
- \$10,000 to advance the strategic plan
- \$10,000 for the new marketing committee
- and \$40,000 for the Chamber of Commerce.

The county no longer has to pay for the Children's Aid Society.

"It's not horrendous if we get funding for the OPP," says CAO Les Shepherd, "but there are so many things thrown into the pot it's hard to tell."

As well, with all the changes in assessment — many in the upward direction — it's difficult to forecast what impact all the

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# High winds leave much of the county in darkness

by MARTHA PERKINS  
Editor

It was a stormy and a very dark night for thousands of people across the county when high winds toppled trees and hydro wires, blacking out dozens of areas.

At first, Ontario Hydro

thought a tornado might have ripped through the county, given the speed of phone calls from people who's hydro went out just after four o'clock on Saturday afternoon. But when the crews went out, they found the trees broken, not twisted, which indicates the culprit was very high winds.

"There were no major problems, just a lot of little ones," says Minden's first line manager, Everitt McKnight. "The storm broke trees everywhere."

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# Camp Allsaw's founder nominated as "outstanding individual"

**S**AM HAMBLY has done it again! Recently, the Camp Allsaw owner and founder was nominated for the Recycling Council of

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News about people and events in Haliburton County

Ontario's Outstanding Individual Award. This award is given annually to a person who has helped to spread the waste reduc-

tion message. Hambly's contributions to waste reduction are many. The octogenarian's dedication to teaching others about

composting and soil conservation have helped save tons of organic waste from going to the landfills in Toronto and Haliburton. He has inspired many people to continue to learn about and practice waste reduction techniques.

Last Thursday's mild weather brought a sure sign that spring is finally beginning to take hold in the Highlands. Cheryl Riley reports seeing two male robins at her Esson Lake home near Wilberforce. The birds were combing the wet ground for worms during the morning's rain — likely to re-fuel after their long flight back from down south.

Demand has required another tutor training workshop to be held at the Haliburton Highlands Learning Centre on April 3 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This initial workshop prepares volunteers to work with adult students who cover many needs — written and oral communications, or math or computer. For more information, call 457-3430 or in the evenings at 457-3412. The centre needs volunteers all over the county.

Minden Library has a year's subscription to the English version of *Cite libre*, the magazine which Pierre Trudeau helped found in 1951. At that time, he used it to attack the Quebec nationalism of Premier Maurice Duplessis and to advocate modernization of Quebec. The subscription was given anonymously to the library by seven Minden men who hope that the pro-Canada publication will give the town's citizens the opportunity to examine the debate in Quebec. February-March, the very first issue in English, arrived last month.

Conservation in the Kawarthas will get a big boost when Chris Hodgson, MPP for Victoria-Haliburton gets roasted for conservation on April 30. The dinner-roast is the key fundraising activity for Friends of Kawartha Conservation. Hodgson will be the centre of the evening's entertainment as he is spoken of by such notable participants as former Victoria-Haliburton MPP John Eakins, family members and John Snobelen, Minister of Natural Resources. There will also be a silent auction. It's on April 30 at the Admiral Inn in Lindsay. Call (705) 328-2271 or 1-800-668-5722. The cost is \$100 per person.

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## OPP moves into new location in MNR building

by MARTHA PERKINS  
Editor

You can't tell from the outside – yet – but the OPP has moved to its new location on Hwy 35 in Minden.

After weeks of renovations at the Ministry of Natural Resources building, the OPP is officially the MNR's new next door neighbour. However, for the first few days, there was no indication about which door that is.

The signs were taken down from the former location less than a kilometre away before new ones could be installed at the MNR building. As well, at first there were no outside stairs leading to the OPP's door, which was also bereft of any signage. Since many of the boxes were yet unpacked, not having many visitors was not a bad thing.

All the typical moving glitches should be worked out this week as the officers and office staff settle into their new quarters. Eventually, when the computer is installed, the office will become the detachment headquarters for Minden/Coboconk, although the Coboconk office

on Hwy 48 will remain open.

The move is part of a province-wide restructuring process. The province didn't want government agencies in locations it didn't own, and since the former Minden OPP office was leased, the police needed a new home. (The irony is that as of this year, the province no longer pays for the OPP.) At the same time, space at the MNR building became available after several employees were laid off.

Entrance to the OPP office is from the main parking area off Hwy 35. As you face the main building, the door to the OPP is to the left of the MNR's.



**CHOIR HELPS THEATRE PROJECT:** Linda Beachli, center, accepts a donation of \$7,500 on behalf of the committee raising funds to build a theatre at Haliburton's high school from Haliburton Messiah Choir director Melissa Stephens, right, and treasurer Margaret Montague, as members of the choir look on. The choir purchased 10 of the theatre's \$750 seats. The choir's upcoming Broadway-style show, Broadway Deux, will play during the final weekend of May in Haliburton, Minden and another location.

## Glamorgan widens search to fill council vacancy

by PETER DOWNS  
Staff Reporter

Glamorgan council has widened its search to fill a vacancy at its table after three people expressed their interest in taking the seat.

The municipality's reeve, Elva Bates, had previously said council expected to appoint a candi-

date who wanted the position at a meeting last Tuesday.

However, two others submitted letters prior to the meeting also stating their interest in joining council.

As a result, councillors decided to advertise in local papers to see if even more people might want the position.

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# Flight school grounded; Solo Aviation may be next

by PETER DOWNS  
Staff Reporter

The county's only flying school has been grounded by financial difficulties complicated by a punishing hit from Mother Nature.

And if he can't get Solo Aviation back in the air, Dennis Lafleur says it may no longer be economically feasible for him to continue in his other job as manager of Stanhope Airport.

Lafleur began operating his pilot-training school out of Stanhope's airport in June 1995. He also ran a charter service.

But by the time he first turned a propeller that summer he had already incurred a great deal of debt trying to make his business fly. It had taken him a full two years from when he purchased his plane in 1993 to go through the long, bureaucratic process of obtaining a licence to run a flight school. And all the while he was making payments on the plane.

"That sort of put a loaded gun to my head right away. I never dreamed it would take that long to get going, but it did."

Lafleur was hoping to teach students interested in careers as commercial pilots, but found it difficult competing against larger colleges where the students could receive government subsidies.

Though he began to develop a market for recreational flying students who wanted lessons during the summer, he was left

with the expense of carrying the plane through the winter.

Then in the summer of 1996, a solution presented itself. Stanhope offered Lafleur a contract to manage the airport when the previous manager left for a position at another airport.

His job at the airport fit in well with the flight school and charter service. It also gave him an income through the winter to help cover the costs of his plane.

But last August a powerful hail storm that lashed the area with softball-sized chunks of ice pummeled Lafleur's plane, causing more than \$25,000 in damage.

The bank took his entire insurance settlement of \$24,000 to cover his arrears, leaving Lafleur unable to fix the plane or resume his flight school operation.

"This jeopardizes my position here because I can't survive on the contract at the airport alone," said Lafleur, who's married with three children.

Lafleur said he's hoping to work out some kind of arrangement that will allow him to stay on at the airport because he likes the job and likes working for Stanhope.

"The municipality has been great to work with. We've been trying to work something out but just haven't been able to do it ... I haven't thrown in the towel yet."

But if he can't come up with a solution by May 1, Lafleur said he would have to leave.



**STORM DOWNS TREES:** When this tree came down at the intersection of County Rd. 1 and Hwy 121 in Haliburton, power went out in various locations across the village, including Haliburton Hospital.

## Hydro copes with dozens of broken lines

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By tracking the calls from people whose power went out, you can track the storm's path: Hwy 35 near Moore Falls, Bob Lake, Brady Lake, Haliburton village, Drag Lake and Haliburton Lake, as well as Glamor and Salmon Lakes.

Every available Hydro worker was called in to fix the lines.

In Haliburton village, Extendicare was without power until almost 9 p.m. while at the Haliburton Hospital, the power was back on by 7. Both institutions relied on generators to supply them with electricity. By daylight on Sunday morning, most people had their power restored but there were still problems in the Glamor, Stormy and Blue Hawk Lake areas.

Except for a summer-use only area of Bob Lake, all hydro was restored by the time crews headed home at 7:30 Sunday night.

McKnight says that with the spring temperatures, keeping warm wasn't people's main concern. Instead, many people had flooding problems when the sump pumps in their basements stopped working during the power outage.

## County's budget allows for some road improvements

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changes will have on people's property tax bills.

Within the county's own budget, there are few changes, Shepherd says.

The county is going to take \$1.2-million from the money it got for highway transfers to help

pay for some capital roads projects, mainly surface treatment:

- County Road 3 and Minniecock Lake intersection improvements, \$30,000
- 0.8 km of Kawagama Lake Road, \$125,000
- 3.0 km of South Kashagawigamog Lake Road,

\$140,000

- 2.0 km Harburn Road, \$310,000
- 6.2 km Horseshoe Lake Road, \$415,000
- Irondale River Bridge on 503, \$240,000
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# JK likely to return to schools in fall

by PETER DOWNS  
Staff Reporter

Junior kindergarten appears ready to make a comeback in the Highlands.

Now that the provincial government has said it will fund the program, school trustees will more than likely reinstate it at elementary schools board-wide in September.

Currently, JK is offered only at schools in Muskoka. The former

boards in both Haliburton and Victoria Counties cancelled the program as a cost-cutting measure about 18 months ago when Queen's Park made it a local option.

"It would appear — and I want to be very cautious about it — but it would appear that we'll be able to offer junior kindergarten right across the board," acting education director Evelyn Brown said last week.

Cheryl Murdoch, the board's

chairwoman and Haliburton County's sole trustee, said much the same thing.

"It looks like there is going to be some money there for junior kindergarten and if there is, then yes, it will probably come back."

Hundreds of parents in Victoria County recently signed a petition, calling on the board to re-instate JK, while many in Muskoka had begun campaigning trustees there not to get rid of the program.

In Haliburton County, which

had only begun to phase in JK at a few schools before it was cancelled, there was less support for the program.

While trustees and parents didn't dispute the educational benefits of children starting school at a younger age, they opposed the long hours three- and four-year-olds would have to spend on the bus because of the county's vast size.

Many also felt it was difficult for children that young to spend a

full day at school. Because of bussing distances area schools run JK as a full-day program every other day, unlike schools in urban areas where the children go to school for a half-day each day.

The area's school board had already begun taking registration for junior kindergarten for next September about a month ago on the condition that it receives funding for the program.

Board finance administrators have estimated it would cost \$2.27-million annually to run junior kindergarten board-wide.

The provincial government's new funding model for education will give the board approximately \$2.22-million for JK in the coming school year. It has also committed to increase the funding by about \$200,000 for each of the following two school years.

However, junior kindergarten remains a local option for all boards, said Victoria-Haliburton MPP Chris Hodgson.

Should a board decide against running the program, it would be able to use an equivalent amount of money for another form of early education program "whether it's in grades one, two or three," Hodgson said.

## HCDC funding helps several local projects

The Community Economic Development (CED) Committee of the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) has approved financial contributions to several community based projects.

1. The Haliburton Highlands Sustainable Forestry Association (H.H.S.F.A.) received a \$4,500 contribution towards the development of a constitution and business plan.

2. The Haliburton Highlands Silver Flutes received a \$4,300

contribution towards the purchase of uniforms.

3. The Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists received a \$595 contribution to support the construction of an interpretive signage display board in the Snowdon Park.

4. The Haliburton Highlands Nordic Trails received a \$3,000 contribution to support the extension of the lighted ski trail in Glebe Park.

5. The Haliburton Highland Games received a \$1,500 contri-

bution towards the demonstration of two military drills and battle tactics by the Canadian Military Society.

6. The Ontario Timbersport received a \$1,944 contribution to support the construction of bleacher seats.

7. The Minden Mural Committee received a \$2,500 contribution to support the "Painting the Town" project.

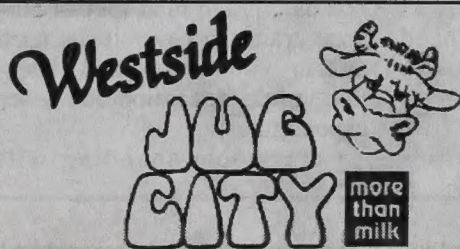
8. The Arts Committee of the Haliburton County Development Corporation received \$12,000 to

assist with the creation of six sculptures to enhance the image of Haliburton County as an artistic community.

All of the above projects will contribute to the economic development of Haliburton County and have been funded in partnership with Industry Canada. If your organization wishes to discuss or make an application to the HCDC, please contact Andy Campbell at 457-3555. The next review of proposals is expected in October 1998.

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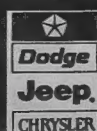
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# Education grant seems to increase by \$200,000

FROM page 1  
said.

"If we hadn't changed the funding formula, Haliburton County would've been grant negative this year. That means 100 per cent of education (costs) would've been borne on property tax."

By transferring some services to municipalities, the province was able to cover half the costs of education itself and raise the

remaining 50 per cent through property taxes.

The newly amalgamated board for Haliburton County, Muskoka and Victoria County is to receive \$133.1-million for the 1998-1999 school year, \$133-million for 1999-2000 and \$134-million for the 2000-2001 school year.

Funding for each of the three years is slightly above the board's current operating budget of \$132.9-million.

While the amount of money available for classroom expenses increases, there will be less funding for what the province calls non-classroom costs.

"Overall, I'm a lot happier than I thought I would be. The bottom line is it's more money overall," said Jim Bradley, finance administrator in the board's Haliburton office.

However, some board officials say there may still be job cuts.

"We may still be experiencing some layoffs," said Brown. "At this stage I can't say where or how many ... I'm hoping we won't have significant job loss in any of the areas, be it teachers or support staff."

She noted the province's move to keep the board-wide average number of students per class below 25 in elementary school and 22 at high school could lead to teacher layoffs.

Reducing preparation time by 50 per cent for high school teachers as of September will also eliminate jobs.

"If you're not experiencing much (enrolment) growth as is the case here and teachers are in front of the class for more time, the obvious answer is there will need to be fewer teachers," said Brown.

Some critics

of the funding formula say it will see up to 10,000 teachers lose their jobs across Ontario.

But the government maintains enrolment growth and the class-size caps will actually result in a demand for nearly 4,000 additional teachers in three years' time.

The number of layoffs resulting from education reforms could also be mitigated, should Queen's Park and the teachers' unions negotiate an early-retirement incentive for teachers.

"That would help a great deal if there was going to be some downsizing," said Murdoch.

School boards would also be able to save by replacing teachers at the top end of the pay scale with newer teachers who earn less money.

Hodgson said Queen's Park has made several offers to meet with teachers' unions to develop an early-retirement package, but all of the offers have been rejected.

Among the highlights of the new funding formula:

- all 72 boards will receive a basic grant of \$3,367 per elementary pupil and \$3,953 per high school pupil;

- the province will also provide additional funding to boards through nine special purpose grants to cover items such as transportation, special education, adult education and other expenditures;

- classroom spending will

increase to 65% of total education spending from 61%;

- funding will be provided for boards offering junior kindergarten to keep the program;

- boards that don't run JK can access funding to begin it or an alternative form of early education program;

- and a \$1.2-billion fund will help boards hire additional teachers to maintain average class sizes of 25 students at elementary school and 22 students at high school, should enrolment grow.

Once the board has had time to study its funding information, it will have to begin the difficult job of determining which educational programs from the three former boards it will maintain and which, if any, it feels it can no longer afford.

"Now that we know what the revenue side is we can begin to look at the expenditure side," said Brown.

A key factor in determining its costs will be harmonizing the various collective bargaining agreements from each of the employee groups in the three former boards.

"That process isn't going to go quickly. It'll take some time," said superintendent of finance Al Ingram.

He predicted the board wouldn't be able to settle on a budget for the coming school year until at least June.

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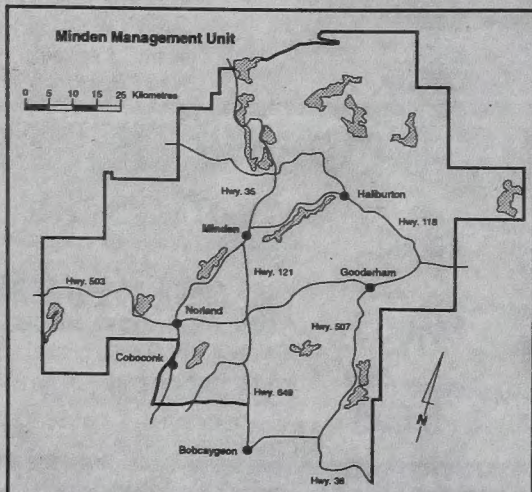
The annual work schedule describes forest management activities (e.g. timber harvesting, regeneration, prescribed burns, and site preparation) that will or may occur between **April 15, 1998 and March 31, 1999**. These activities are consistent with the forest management plan which was approved through public consultation.

A mapped summary of the scheduled forest management operations is available by contacting the ministry's Minden Area Office.

The approved annual work schedule, and any subsequent revisions, will remain available for public inspection at the ministry's Minden Area Office throughout its one-year term.

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**Editorial**

## Through the plexiglass

**A**LTHOUGH THE COUNTY is responsible for providing many services, most people have little reason for ever going into the county office, the stone building on Newcastle Street in Minden. However, if you are in need of social services, then you are very much aware of the building and its interior. People who receive or want to receive welfare enter through the front door of the county building, pass two administration offices and then continue forward until there's a small waiting area adjacent to the stairs which take you up to the county chambers and meeting rooms. This short, main corridor ends at a plexiglass window, through which there's a little hole to talk to the social services workers.

The plexiglass is such a sad, sad comment on the state of our bureaucratic affairs in the late 1990s. Apparently, a couple of years ago, someone receiving social assistance in another region got angry and threatened the staff. A hammer, it's said, was used to smash some of the office before the police arrived. After that, and other instances which made staff feel frightened, the policy to install plexiglass was implemented. Some offices have gone further, forcing people to go through an elaborate security system which finds them locked inside a room.

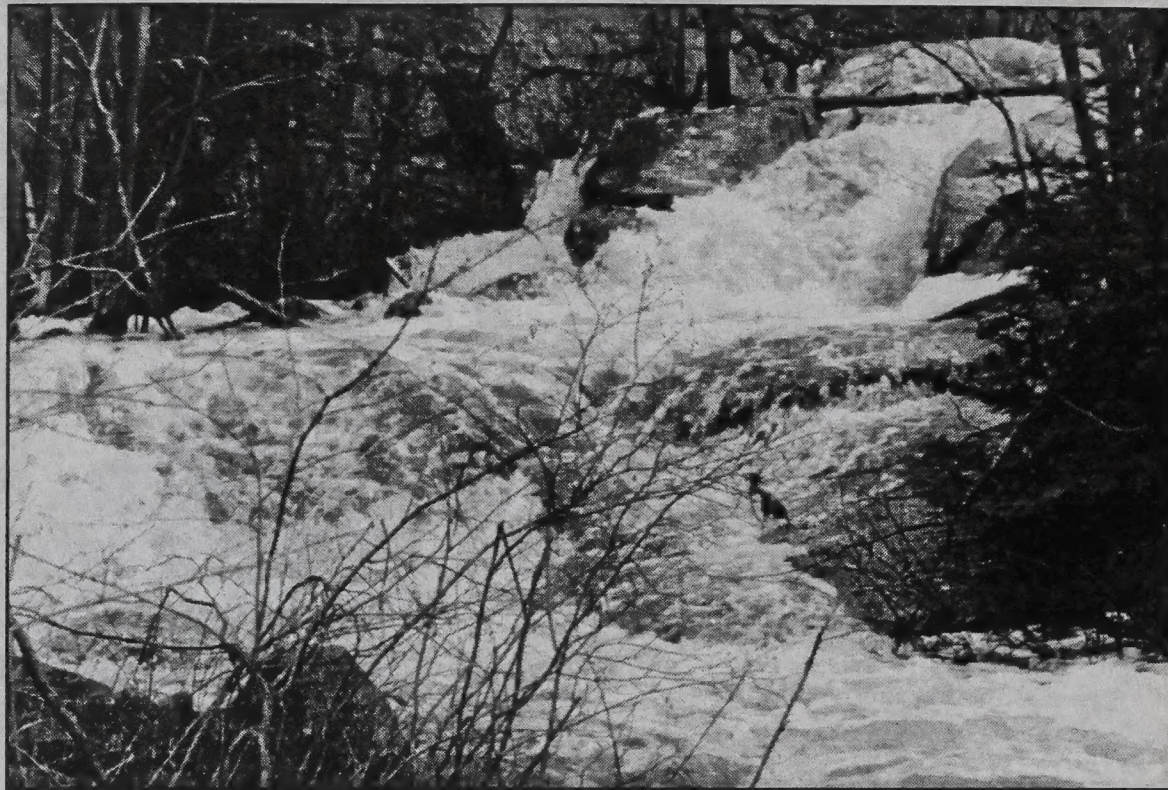
Why is this so sad? First of all because it's so demeaning to the people who receive social assistance. It's hard to describe what it's like to have to talk to someone through a clear but very visible barrier. Immediately you're put on the defensive, as if you're suspect of some terrible wrongdoing. You can't be trusted. The staff person you're talking to is literally on the "other side", separated from you physically and psychologically: losers and winners, the good and the bad, us versus them. Is poverty catching, like some disease? Should recipients feel like they have to shout, even though they're talking about a very bad time in their life, in a place which offers little privacy as it is? Does their need of assistance take away their right to privacy and dignity?

It is true there are those who view social assistance as a free ride and who abuse the system simply because the system is there. But by and large, most people who must receive social assistance wish there was some other way they could afford to pay their rent, buy food and clothe their children. It's a terrible thing in one's life to have to ask for help, to have to suffer the financial and emotional costs of having no employer wishing to hire your skills, to know that all avenues have been exhausted and there's no where left to turn. To have to apply and receive welfare is hard enough; to have to ask for it through the plexiglass window is just one more message that you're on the other side of happiness and success.

But on that other side there are legitimate concerns about safety. There have been no direct threats against staff at the Minden office, and the people who are at risk of becoming violent are very few, but staff are dealing with people at stressful times of their lives and it's hard to gauge how someone will react to that stress. We are, after all, living in a world where an 11- and 13-year-old will shoot dead four of their classmates and a teacher over a "love affair" gone wrong. Our faith in the basic human elements which prevent most people from behaving with such little regard to the sanctity of life gets shaken to its core as we ask "How could that happen?" The unimaginable has become the six o'clock news.

Yet do all 13-year-old boys who get dumped by their girlfriends now turn into potential mass murderers in the public's eyes? Do we now assume that everyone who receives social assistance is prone to violent outbursts? As a society, at what point do we start using the behaviour of a very few to dictate how we deal with the vast majority? One person hundreds of kilometres away acts in a certain way and we react as if it's happened in our back yard. Should we be putting our resources into buying plexiglass, or should be helping people avoid the stress of being out of work and in need of welfare?

Life certainly isn't getting simpler, or easy to divide into right or wrong. All that can be said is that the plexiglass at the end of the hallway in the county office gives you a bad feeling that won't easily go away.

**M.P.**

Spring rush

by Len Pizzey

**Letters to the Editor**

## Board's decision to pay consultant \$27,000 to find director 'outrageous'

**To the Editor:**

I cannot help but take exception to Cheryl Murdoch's thinking that an expenditure of \$27,000 is necessary to hire a director of education for the new school board, a name for which, by the way, the trustees had difficulty choosing.

Before last fall's election, we heard speeches from our elected trustees telling us how qualified, dedicated and hard working they would be for this board. It seems to me that when tough decisions have to be made, they have to hire someone to do it.

Moreover, why pay the out-

rageous price of about \$27,000? It will likely be more, judging by the way other contracts have been handled. Would not \$1,000 spent on a few ads in city newspapers be more sensible? Anyone looking for such jobs must read the want ads.

Why do we have to import someone when we already have a local lady willing to do the job?

I thought more money was needed in the classroom. It's not hard to spend someone else's money.

**Mervin Gilbert  
Lochlin**

## Board money would be better spent in classrooms

**To the Editor:**

*RE: Echo editorial "Finding a Director," March 24, 1998.*

Good for you! After reading the front page about the board spending \$27,000 to search for a director, I was angry. Then by page 8, you had said it 'just right'. But then why would we be surprised? It is the same group of people who just a few weeks ago thought they needed to hire a consulting group to name the board.

You would think this shake-up would have made them realize we want them to put the money back into the classroom, not waste it on willy nilly decision making. That amount would put a starting teacher or an assistant teacher in the classroom. When will they become responsible?

Thanks for saying it out loud, Martha Perkins!

**Joan Cameron  
Haliburton**

## Glamorgan councillor's resignation disappointing

**To the Editor:**

*Re: Resignation of Craig Pettit from Glamorgan Council because of expenditures he could not condone (The Echo, March 24).*

If memory serves me correctly, during Mr. Pettit's term of office as a school board trustee, there were many issues he didn't agree with. I recall one instance when he walked out of a meeting because of a [decision] he didn't agree with. I certainly don't recall Mr. Pettit resigning over these issues.

I encouraged Craig Pettit to run for the position of deputy-reeve in the November election. I was a strong supporter of his work as a school board trustee. However, I am bitterly disappointed with the way he dealt with his resignation. To hand his letter of resignation to our clerk-treasurer, two hours before our March 11 council meeting without any prior discussion, was most unfair, particularly to the 300-plus people who voted for him.

The way Mr. Pettit handled this matter leads me to speculate - was there another reason for his resignation? Perhaps.

These remarks are my own opinions and in no way reflect opinions or thoughts of other Council members.

**Chuck Viner  
Deputy-reeve, Glamorgan  
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## Women's Emergency House helps clients restore their dignity

### To the Editor:

I found myself in the Women's Emergency House in Haliburton some months ago. I would like to share my experience in the hopes that some of the myths surrounding spouse abuse and in particular the service W.E.H. provides will be dispelled. I would also request that if this letter is published, my name be withheld.

One miserable winter morn, I called a friend to "rescue" me, if just for a couple of hours of relief. At her urging, instead of returning home, I went to the Women's Emergency House. At first, I had fought the idea tooth and nail. It was no place for me. I thought of staying in a motel for a while, out of town, somewhere safe. The house was for women who were bruised and scarred, women in desperation, women who had nowhere to go, women with no financial means, women living in poverty. Not me. But I went and I heaved a huge sigh of relief when we arrived, welcomed with a warm smile and words of reassurance.

There we were, my child and I, with nothing but the clothes on our backs. I felt scared, out of place, humiliated and shamed. Somehow, I had brought this upon myself. I was incapable of creating order out of the chaos that had become my life.

We were given our own room. Clean bathrobes and a handsewn bag of essential toiletries were on the bed. It was one of the countless small considerations that helped me to regain a sense of dignity. A counsellor was

assigned to me and appeared within hours of our arrival. A list of services and supports was provided.

During our stay, one small miracle unfolded upon the other. But the true miracle of the house was the group of volunteers and staff member who collectively make up the heart and soul of the house. The atmosphere of acceptance, caring and loving was overwhelming and healing. Each woman had her own unique gifts to offer. The kindness and tireless generosity of these women was endless. Most of these women had children, husbands, jobs and other community commitments. Yet they felt a deep enough conviction to come and keep us safe.

What I gained from my experience is too lengthy to recite. I was able to remain in the community. My child was able to return to the school she knew and loved. We were re-united with our friends who make up our family. Many of my personal misconceptions about spouse abuse and, in particular, the vital service the House provides the community, were dispelled.

We want to believe that the statistics about spouse abuse are grossly exaggerated. But it occurs in our own community with alarming frequency. I met other women at the House and I heard their stories. The Women's Emergency House provides an invaluable service to our community and to the women of our community. Let's come out of our denial and support it.

Name withheld upon request

## Community pulls together to fight fire in remote area

### To the Editor:

On the evening of March 25, I had occasion to witness both a tragic event and a wonderful event all at the same time. The circumstance involved a severe fire that caused extensive damage to a private residence.

The loss occurred in a very remote area, with access being only by way of a rural, private road with several steep hills. The Glamorgan Fire Department attended despite the geography involved and was faced with not being able to get the fire truck to within several hundred feet of the fire. Two members of the Glamorgan Jr. Firefighters assisted the firemen early on in the fight. With their knowledge of the equipment, the juniors were able to help carry equipment, get specific items from the truck several hundred feet away and assist in any way they could from a safe distance.

While all of this was going on, several members of the area offered the homeowner accommodation. It was also realized that due to the location of the fire trucks and various vehicles, there

would be great difficulty in getting out without help. A call went out to the road's department, after hours, for any help they could offer. Within an hour of the call, the grader arrived to scrape the hills of slush and ice, the sander to sand the remaining ice, and a loader to clear a spot for vehicles to turn around.

The end result was that while the house was extensively damaged, it might not be a total loss. The fire department equipment returned to the fire hall as quickly as was humanly possible in order to be ready should another call come in. All age groups pulled together from Jr. Firefighters to retired residents.

The teamwork and total dedication of helping one another as one vast team from many areas of life was indeed a wonderful site to see. The clear feeling shown was "What can I do to help" not "What can I get from the community." Everyone involved is entitled to a great deal of thanks.

Brent Clarkson  
Member, Canadian  
Association of Fire  
Investigators.



Pic of the Past

Allan Hoxie says this photo of his Uncle William and Aunt Lucas and their family probably wasn't taken in Haliburton because he can't recognize the building in the background

## A springtime of mud and fur

KATE THOUGHT it was absolutely amazing how warm the sun had grown over the past week. While the temperature was still dipping low at night, by mid-day her kitchen was almost uncomfortably warm. She traded her thick sweater for a t-shirt and padded happily about the kitchen pouring coffee and humming to herself. Ah spring, she thought.

Mind you, the cat fur was another story. She looked down at the floor in disgust. A myriad of fine cat hairs, of various shades, clung to the vinyl surface as if glued. Kate had vacuumed, swept and mopped but within minutes, more hairs appeared in the air, then drifted down, settling on the floor in a determined, annoying persistence.

The cats, all four of them, were shedding, and hair, like spring, was definitely in the air. It was also on the floor, on the couch, the chairs, the stairs, the pillows; and worst of all, her bed.

When Kate crawled into bed, tired after a long day at work, she did not want to feel the feathery brush of fine fuzz slowly working its way up her nostrils. It was not amusing to be tickled at eleven o'clock at night by invisible fluff impervious to brushing, wiping or rubbing off. Although Kate realized that being tired only made mat-

ters seem worse, she was almost convinced the fur was increasing as she lay in the dark. With each passing minute, her nose, eyelids and cheeks felt furrer. Finally, in desperation, she rose from bed, grabbed the vacuum and swept its nozzle over her pillows and bedspread. But she realized that, like the kitchen floor, she would probably find herself in the same hairy situation the following night.

Kate encouraged the cats to spend more time out-of-doors but this was not easy. When she left for work in the morning, the



DOWN OUR ROAD

Sharon Lynch

thermometer continued to read in the sub-zero depths. No cat with its wits about it could be cajoled to venture out in that. So inside they stayed, shedding and looking out through the windows at the birds and squirrels gambolling about in the balmy sunshine. Like Kate, they were not particularly happy with this arrangement either.

Other springs, Kate had had to contend with mud. In fact, some days it seemed to her that spring was spelt m-u-d. She didn't like it, but it was expected and over the years she had learned to compensate for the mud of

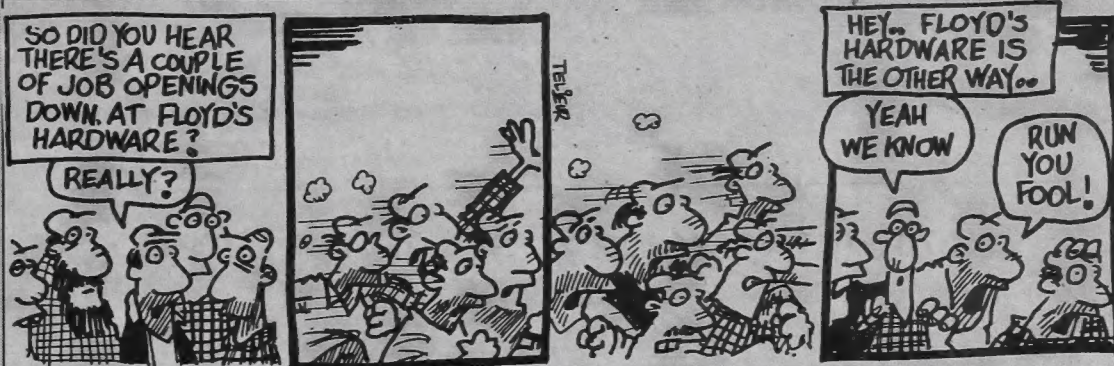
spring. Leaving her car at the end of the driveway and walking in. Placing boards on the ground so she could make her way from door to woodpile with as little mess as possible. Kate had worked out a system that worked. Until this year.

The combination of cats plus mud did her in. After days of trying to coax the cats outside, they finally allowed themselves to be enticed into the glow of spring sunshine and the chatter of returning birds. Unfortunately they chose the first truly mucky, muddy and sloppily disgusting day to venture forth. Kate did not realize how bad it was when she let them out. But she certainly found out when they darted back inside. All four cats had mud halfway up their four legs. They shook and jabbed their paws, trying to loosen the gooey coating. They dashed up the stairs, over the coffee table, rug, and across the couch, leaving a wake of blobs, prints and spatters.

In the end, they settled in their favourite room, the kitchen, to try to lick themselves clean. Kate looked down at the floor, its furry surface quickly caking with mud. Oh well, she shrugged. The cat hair will be easier to sweep up when mixed with the dried mud. For a change, it will have something to stick to besides the kitchen floor.

### Boonieville

by Charlie Telfeur





# Health-care change may deny patients crucial eye exams

## To the Editor:

This is an open letter to the Hon. Chris Hodgson, MPP and the Hon. Elizabeth Witmer, Ontario Health Minister.

On April 1, our wise Ontario government will begin implementing a restriction of one "routine" oculo-visual assessment (eye exam) to be covered by OHIP every two years for age 20 to 64, as performed by optometrists, physicians and eye-surgeons. Other age groups will continue to be covered yearly as before.

As a rural optometrist, I see hundreds of diabetics between 20 and 64 every year for a routine eye exam. Most years, there is no change in eyeglass prescription and these patients are free of any diabetic or other eye disease. However, every so often a diabetic with 20/20 eyesight and no eyeglass-prescription change whatsoever is found to have a scattering of tiny spot hemorrhages in the eyes' retinas at one of these "superfluous" eye exams, he is promptly referred to a Toronto retinal specialist (eye surgeon) and she does sight-saving

laser photocoagulation ("spot welding" of the bleeding areas). I had three such cases this month alone.

As of April 1, I must advise such patients that this examination will cost them a \$50 fee on alternate years or they can travel 100 kms to the closest eye surgeon (who likely also charge a fee) or they can choose to leave it for two years (which some are already telling me they will do) and hope they don't get symptomatic complications such as vitreous hemorrhaging (large amount of bleeding inside the eye visible

as a red floating blob) which is much harder to treat.

Also in the same age group, I see hundreds of patients annually to follow borderline glaucoma and developing cataracts. Because they too don't fit the new criteria, they will also not be allowed OHIP-covered access to this care every year.

One 59-year old patient is a long-time diabetic with early cataracts and a very strong family history of glaucoma, but none of this, so far, affects her eyeglass prescription so her eyes cannot be monitored annually as paid for by

OHIP. Last week, she told me she can't afford to pay the eye exam fee or to travel for out-of-town care (if covered). This is nuts. This is "United States of Canada" health care, two-tiered health care at its most blatant. Those who can afford it can have it and the poor, especially the rural poor, are on their own again.

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## Major Tykes finish season with a flurry

by RICK LOWES

The final weekend of the 97-98 season proved to be a busy one for the Major Tyke Huskies.

Friday night they played host to Sunderland in the championship final. The game was very evenly matched, with the play going both ways.

Mac Trueman was in net and he was excellent as he has been all season, but Sunderland managed to get one through and that's all they needed as they held the Huskies scoreless to win the trophy.

Saturday was the Glen Dart and the Huskies beat them in their own tournament just weeks ago. It was a highly entertaining game with both teams getting all kinds of chances but the Rockets got their revenge winning 3-2.

After the game the teams decided they had so much fun Wilberforce invited us to their rink on Sunday for one final game. The Huskies came out charging when Lane Schmid opened the scoring mid-way through the second with Jesse Stoughton getting the assist. Three minutes later Chase Thurston scored with another assist going to Stoughton. Then Jesse Stoughton decided to score one on his own, and to cap the season, Scott Griffith banged on in and the final was 4-1 for the Huskies.

When you look back at the season that started only five months ago and see how

far these youngsters have progressed, we as their parents, have got to give the coaching staff full credit. Their dedication, their patience, their skill at developing these boys not just for the immediate future, but for the long term as well, speaks volumes about their decency and community spirit. So to Manager Rod Thurston, trainer George Schmid, assistant coach Bruce Griffith and head coach Glenn (Leroy) Evans, a heartfelt thanks. Until next season "Keep your stick on the ice."



GLEN DART ACTION:

The Major Tyke Huskies took on Wilberforce during a fast-paced game in Saturday's Glen Dart Tournament. The Rockets won the game 3-2.

## PeeWee C Huskies edged by Ennismore

by SUE CLARKSON

The Glen Dart Tournament afforded the opportunity for the PeeWee C team to play their last game at home.

The Ennismore Eagles were thrilled to be invited to join us this day.

With the Huskies down 2-0 halfway through the first, the boys rebounded with a goal scored by Mitchell Clarkson, assisted by Cory Poole.

The Eagles landed another before the period was over to widen the gap again.

The second period saw no scoring but numerous saves by Matt Davidson to keep the score within reach. Cory Sisson brought the team within one of tying the

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game on an unassisted goal. Ennismore's scoring machine was in full gear as two more were netted.

With the score 5-2 and over a minute left in the game, the goaltender was pulled to add an extra attacker, resulting

in the Huskies scoring two more. Mitchell scored both, earning him a hat trick.

Brock Thomas and Jeff Packard assisted on the first goal, and the second was unassisted. Final score: 5-4.

A good comeback from behind, though not enough to take the win. MVP honours went to Shea Horning.

Have a good off-season, boys!

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## 46th Annual Glen Dart Tournament

### Fans treated to exciting day of fast-paced hockey action

by ROGER DART

As the season winds down for Haliburton Minor Hockey, the 46th Annual Glen Dart Tournament has gone into the record books. On Saturday fans were treated to a full day of seven games of hockey from nine in the morning until six at night at the Dysart Community Centre. Convenor Bob MacNaull and his support team ensured that the well organized day went smoothly.

It was great to see Len Salvatori and Mark Schell join the other stars of the senior Huskie teams of the 1940s and 1950s to present individual most valuable player awards. Returning from last year were Mark Scheffee, Joe Iles, Harry Brohm, Al Blanchard and Buck Baker. I was there with my family Debbie, Devon and Lauren to present team trophies to the captains of the winning teams. We received some welcome assistance from Neil Burk and Ray Scott. Neil, who played in the very first Glen Dart Tournament, was on hand to watch his grandson in the Tyke game. Scottie is Haliburton's number one hockey fan and can usually be found at the rink.

As always, between games,

there was some reminiscing of hockey in Haliburton in days gone by. Buck Baker took us back to his playing days in the 1940s when he was on the line of Buck, Bimmy (Glen Dart) and Smokey (Harry Brohm). Joe Iles recalled the famous special trains of the 1940s that took fans to hockey games in Omeme and Lindsay. The players were not allowed to go to the games on the trains but could join the party on the way home. Bill Davis' first hockey coach was Glen Dart in whose memory the tournament is held each year. Bill still remembers the colour and the shape of the crests that were presented in the first few years of the tournament. Rick Wood said that when he played in the Glen Dart Tournaments in the early 1960s, the players went next door to the curling rink for their past game "lunch". Rod Sisson could not remember that far back but recalled his first time on skates when his dad took him to West Guilford's outdoor rink, the infamous Tag Alder Gardens.

The memories are fun, but the real focus of the day was on the young players participating in the games on the ice. Although attendance was slightly lower than in recent years, the parents, grand-

parents and even a few great grandparents were treated to some exciting hockey action.

The first two games of the day provided a new twist as the House League juniors and seniors took part in their first tournament action.

In game one, the junior red squad met the junior green squad. These young players took time to wave to special fans while waiting for the drop of the puck. This game set the tone for the day. It was a close contest with the outcome in question until the final minutes. Brandon Van Nood with a hat trick led the red squad to 3 to 1 win over the green squad. Kevin Cooper had the green's only goal. These two goal scorers received the most valuable player awards. I noticed great grandfather Mervin Gilbert proudly watching Kevin and his twin brother Craig Cooper.

The House League seniors could not find some opposition for the tournament so they had a fun game between the players and their parents. The final score had the players ahead of the parents by two goals in an 8 to 6 upset. The goalies were switched for the game and young goaltender Zach Prenger took the most valuable



**TYKES TUSSELE:** The 46th Annual Glen Dart Tournament was a great way for many teams to finish off their hockey season on Saturday. Above, the Husky Major Tykes and the Wilberforce Tykes play to a 3-2 finish for the Rockets.

player award for the parents while Jill Lewis was the star for the players on the strength of her hat trick.

The third game of the day was the exception in that it was the only game where the outcome was not in question until the very end. The Haliburton Mites powered their way to an 8 to 1 victory over the Bracebridge Bears. The victory was based on the strong play of Paxton Leroux and Craig Mulholland who shared the

scoring with four goals apiece and as a result shared the most valuable player award. Brandon Eden with the visitor's lone marker was Bracebridge's MVP. Young Mulholland put on a real show for his great grandfather Carl Duggan who was in the stands.

Game 4 was classic hockey. The Haliburton Tyke Selects hosted the Wilberforce Rockets. These teams have met several

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# Close games mark tourney

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times during the year and there has been little to choose between them. This game was no different. Andi Donaldson's goal late in the third period broke the deadlock and gave the Rockets a 3 to 2 win. Andi was Wilberforce's MVP while Jesse Stoughton, who scored both of Haliburton's goals was Haliburton's star of the game.

Game 5 was another close one. The Haliburton Novice Bs took an early lead and headed into the third period with a one goal advantage over the Huntsville Blues. However, Huntsville gained momentum in the third and rode it to a 4 to 3 win.

Michael Ballantine was Huntsville's most valuable player while James Roberts took the honours for Haliburton.

As the day went on, the players got older and the play got faster. In game 6 the Haliburton Atom B team met the Ops Flames. Haliburton scored in the first period and Ops tied it up in the second. In the third period, Haliburton took the lead and Kyle Espie's hard work was rewarded with a goal late in the game to cinch a 3 to 1 win. Kyle was Haliburton's MVP. Ops' goalie Brent Jewell was their MVP.

The final game of the day saw the Haliburton PeeWee C team take on the Ennismore Eagles. These were the oldest players in

the tournament and the only age group at which body checking was allowed. The game was fast and rugged. Ennismore surprised Haliburton taking a 3 to 1 lead in the first period. Haliburton battled back and when the final buzzer went, Ennismore won by a single goal 5 to 4. Shea Horning's steady play earned him the most valuable player award for Haliburton. Ennismore's star was Paul Valencia.

That was the 46th Annual Glen Dart Tournament. A full day of exciting hockey action. Six of the seven games were decided by only one or two goals. It doesn't get much closer than that. Hats off to all the players and coaches for an enjoyable day.



**TIGHT MATCHES:** This year's Glen Dart Tournament was marked by close, fast-paced hockey with six of the seven games decided by only one or two goals. Above, the Wilberforce Tykes edged the Husky Major Tykes 3-2.

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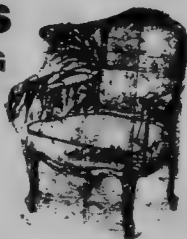
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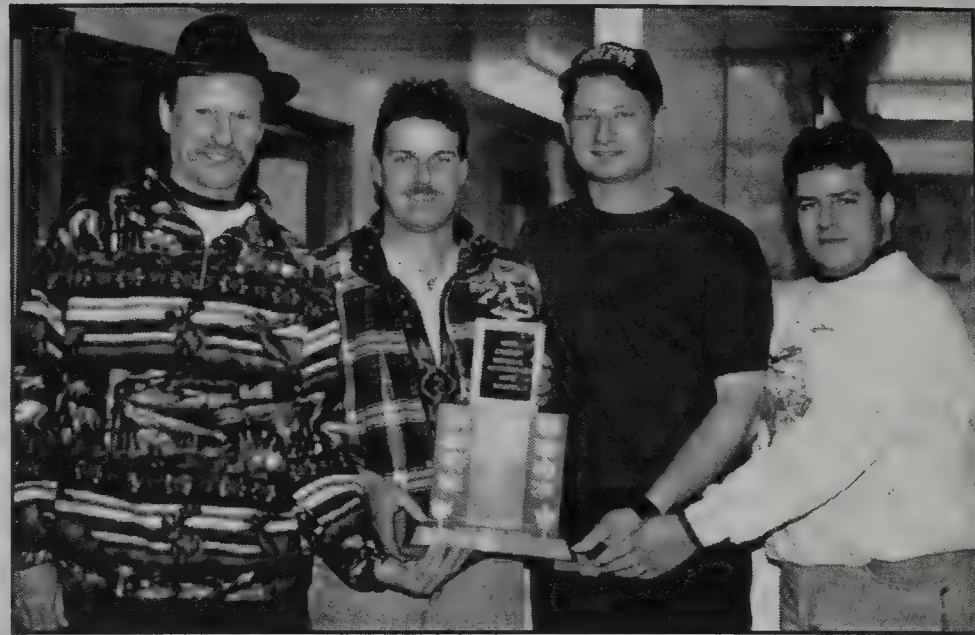
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**KEITH CAMERON 'SPIEL CHAMPS:** Skip George Waugh, left, had his foursome in winning form at this year's Keith Cameron Memorial Bonspiel at the Monmouth Curling Club's Wilberforce rink. Left to right with Skip George are son John Waugh - Vice, Al Jeans - Second and Jeff Smith - Lead.

## Wilberforce rink wins Monmouth bonspiel

The Monmouth Curling Club's wind-up competition - the Keith Cameron Memorial Bonspiel - drew foursomes from throughout the county to Wilberforce to demonstrate their expertise as devotees of "the roaring game".

The entry list of 12 rinks brought out curlers from Minden, Haliburton, Gooderham, Lindsay and Little Britain to challenge host club rinks, a challenge met and turned aside by a Wilberforce squad skipped by George Waugh, ably supported by son John Waugh as vice, Al Jeans as second and Jeff Smith as lead.

A Gooderham rink skipped by Alfred Trotter, vice Ken Craig, second Charlie Hadley and lead Keith Fountain finished in the runner-up spot.

Settling for a third-place tie were rinks from Wilberforce - the Don Fleming four of skip Roy Bridge, vice Don Meharrie, second Rick Forget and Don Fleming leading off; and skip Fred Simmons backed by vice Clyde Russel, second Jason Myers and lead Ryan O'Neil.

Consolation honours as tops in the one-game competition went to a Wilberforce entry skipped by Stan Niles, with Wilf Lepage at vice, Don Stevenson second and Len Thornbury lead.

This year's Keith Cameron was convened by Jack Ward, the Monmouth Club's immediate past president, with Ann Meharrie cooking up a full-course wind-up banquet.

Sponsorship of this year's 'Spiel was provided by Molson Breweries, Canadian Tire, Ron Godward, Schwandt Homecare and Bacardi. The 'Spiel is named in trib-

ute to the late Keith Cameron, who was a moving force in organization and promotion of the Monmouth Club and whose family donated the trophy which is presented to the winning foursome.



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# OMHA Novices bounce back for win after OT loss

by ROY BURK

On March 23rd, the OMHA Novice Huskies sponsored by Curry Motors and Paul Wilson Surveyors, made their first trip to Oro for their second match up of the finals. The boys were pumped and ready for the challenge. Both teams came out flying and the puck was going back and forth from both ends steadily.

The scoring didn't get started until the 5:29 mark in the first period when Dylan Metcalfe picked off a clearing pass from an Oro player and went to the net. His shot was stopped, but Devin Hunter was there for the rebound and we were up by one. With in a minute, our hard pressing paid off again. Kenton Winn passed up to Devin, who made a perfect pass over to Galen Bowman. Galen gave the Huskies a two-goal lead, but the Oro team didn't just roll over and quit. They capitalized on two breakaways and tied the game at two.

The second period seemed to be Oro's as they kept the puck in our end most of the time. Ian Sachs held his ground and made great saves. The Oro Thunder finally wore him down and took the lead. But our boys never give up, and Scott Lewis proved it. He fought off two Oro players at centre ice for the puck and still got off a perfect pass to Dylan. Dylan rushed in deep and went tape to tape with Tyler Watson. Tyler drove it deep into the net and the second period ended tied.

The third was just as fast as the first period as both teams were hard on the puck. They matched us shot for shot for a while. Both goalies were hot and seemed unpenetrable. Finally the tie was broken when Ryan Bottum made a rush up the boards. He found Devin in front of the net and dished off to him. Devin shot hard but the rebound came back out to him. He didn't make any mistake the second time and we had a one-goal lead. But Oro wasn't ready to quit and the 3:44 mark they tied the game again. Both teams kept the pressure on but the defense was too tough and the third ended tied.

In overtime, the Thunder were on a roll and kept the pressure on. Ian had to deal with several scrambles in front of the net. Unfortunately, after a clearing attempt failed, a hard shot from the boards just slipped under the crossbar and the game was over. Our boys played an excellent game and the coaches were very proud of them.

Now on to game three. We had to go back down to Oro's home turf again and it was a do-or-die situation. The Huskies came out on the ice determined to win and bring the next game home. The first period was ours and we out-shot them 8 to 3. We got the first goal about halfway through the period on a powerplay. Dylan received a pass from Devin and shot at the goal. Scott banged at the rebound but the goalie had stacked the pads. He took his own rebound and stuffed it in the top of the net.

The defense tightened up in the second period. The total shots on both goalies was only seven, but one of ours was a beaut. Adam was all wound up on a breakaway

when an Oro player hauled him down from behind and he was granted a penalty shot. He went in slow and sure, deked the goalie and put his backhand shot into the peanut butter shelf. Oro tried to put the pressure on, but our players were too tough and the second ended with us up by two goals.

Adam got us going again in the third, when he checked one of Oro's pointmen and made a rush to their end. The Thunder tried to stop him by putting two players on him but he dished off to Devin just at the right time. Devin went in all alone and drove the puck

deep into the net. We looked pretty good with a three goal lead. But Oro is a good team and they kept increasing the pressure in our end. With only seven minutes left, they got on board when one of their players was left alone in front of the net and he was able to poke it through Ian's pad.

Then we got into a little trouble when we received two penalties just seconds apart. The boys on defense were tough and kept clearing the puck. But it was a long time to be shorthanded and just after the first player got back on the ice, the Thunder got with in one goal with two and a half

minutes left. We were able to keep them away from the net for a while, but with a minute left they pulled their goalie and came on like gangbusters. They kept the puck in our end the whole time and had several good chances to tie the game but Ian was on fire. He stopped at least seven shots in that minute and we celebrated our first win.

Now we get to bring it home for game four on Wednesday, April 1st at seven o'clock. I really hope to see you there to cheer these great little players on.

Game 5 (if necessary) will be on Saturday, April 4 at 5:00 p.m.

in Oro.

Haliburton will be playing North York on Saturday, April 5 at 3:30 p.m. and the final game for the Timmy Tyke Tournament will be at Maple Leaf Gardens.

At this time, I would like to mention two players, Jeff Burk and Matt Tripp. They may not have scored a goal or received an assist this weekend, but they were as much a part of the team as anyone. They are both tough defenders and are quite capable of getting involved in a scoring play.

Great weekend guys and keep up the good work!

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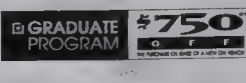
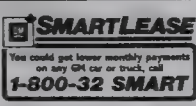
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# WOHL wraps up season in style

by KEN RILEY

The fat lady sang, it's history, that's all she wrote and the breweries have cut back production. That's right, the W.O.H.L. has come to a close for another season. The fun came to an end with three of the most exciting games of shinny witnessed this side of the Olympics!

Game one was the battle for the 'C' Division championship between Apsley and the Whitney Shimanos. Whitney jumped to an early three goal lead on markers from John Scott and two from Marvin Sydock. The teams exchanged goals in the second, Peter Palbiski for Whitney and Peter Vos for Apsley. A scoreless third featured fine netminding from Apsley's Dave Logan and the Shimanos' Tom Brooke. The final being Whitney 4, Apsley 1. Congrats to Whitney 'C' champs.

Game two was for the 'A' Division with the Haliburton Hawks facing Bancroft Canadian Tire. It was a close first period with the Hawks netting three, two from Tom Curry and one from Derrell Stamp. The Tiremen had two of their own from Steven Farnsworth and Joe Bertoni. It was one apiece each in the second, Stamp for Haliburton and Bill Franksy for Bancroft.

The scoring pace increased in the third. The Hawks had goals

from Glen Sharpley, Brian Mullholland, Stamp and Curry. Canadian Tire responded with Franksy, Dean Kellar and Tom Armstrong but it was not enough as the Hawks came out on top 8-6! Cheers to the 'A' champs, Haliburton Hawks.

The final tilt of the night was for the 'B' between the Clarkson Plumbers and Wilberforce Golden Ponders. This was classic tight checking hockey with no goals scored until late in the second when Ken Riley spun one in. The Ponders went up two-zip in the third with Bill Tallman bulging twine. At this point, the Ponders were contemplating popping the bubbly when the Plumbers' Frank Powers scored a beauty on a breakaway (where was this guy for the Team Canada shoot out?). Then it was heartbreak time for the hometown crowd. With just 18 seconds left, Clarkson's Tim Chambers, just off the disabled list, stuffed one to tie the game 2-2! In true Oldtimers tradition, a tie is as good as a win, so it ended 2-2. Kudos to co-'B' champs, Plumbers and Ponders.

The league thanks everyone who made it all run so smoothly - Bob Vance and his crew of refs, scorekeepers Jason Woodcox and Tracey Nottage, all the players who drag themselves off the couch each Thursday and the fans who come week after week.



**DIG IN:** The 34 young players in the Haliburton hockey house league and their families wrapped up a fun season in an even more fun way: lunch at McKeck's Place in Haliburton on Saturday. Dessert was a huge cake decorated as an arena, and Bradford Burke, Shane Bailey, David Markowski, Steven Miscio, Zac Brown, Caeleb Campbell and Daniel Paul are eager for seconds.

## Haliburton Mites maul Bracebridge Bears

by MICHELLE LEROUX

The Glen Dart Tournament on Sat. March 28, was the scene for a match up between the Haliburton Mites and the Bracebridge Bears.

The Huskies came out howling. Paxton Leroux scored a goal off the first faceoff with the assist going to Julian Barry. In less than a minute, Leroux scored his second with help from Carson Roberts. Bracebridge managed to

put one up on the scoreboard by the end of the first. Unfortunately, it was their one and only.

The second period saw Leroux get a hat trick with Luke Watson helping out. Craig Mulholland finally got into the game at the end of the second period taking a pass from his buddy Brandon Nimigon. Mulholland went on to score two more with assists by Brandon Yake and Jordan Roberts. Leroux came back to score another with Mark Vasey

backing him up and the game ended with Mulholland scoring his fourth off a pass from Watson.

Christopher Judge played another great game in net and the final score was 8 to 1.

Paxton Leroux and Craig Mulholland received MVP trophies and the whole team went away smiling with their trophies in hand. Many thanks and congratulations to Bill Mulholland, Scott Watson and Ron Yake. You did a great job with the boys.

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# Novice B Huskies net championship

by VINCE DUCHENE

"We are the champions my friends, we are the Champions in the end" - I think the lyrics go something like that. The Re/Max/Trillium Sheet Metal Novice "B" Huskies are champions and they did it in style.

They were up 7 points to 3 in an eight-point series and on March 23, needed a tie or a win to claim the championship. The boys, after letting Wilberforce come back from a 3 - 0 deficit in Game 5, were pumped, focused and ready to end this playoff series.

A minute into the first period Matt Duchene picked up a pass from Mitchell Vasey and found the back of the net to give us a very quick start. On the ensuing faceoff, Matt managed to wiggle through a couple of Rockets and within 11 seconds, we found ourselves up 2 - 0. Traditionally, when the Huskies get an early jump, we play well and this game was no different.

One very big difference in this game was the noise level from the stands. Thanks to all the parents who cheered. It was loud, energy filled and it gave us all a jump at the bench. The score remained 2 - 0 until James Roberts, with his Rocket Richard-type speed, blasted past a Rocket defenseman, picked the puck up behind their net and centered it to Ryan Scheffee who just had to stand still long enough for the puck to bounce off his knee pad into the net. 3 - 0!

The game was a very impressive all-around effort from 12 Husky players. Everyone was skating, forechecking, backchecking and working together as a team to make sure the Rockets didn't climb back into this game. With very little left on the clock Matt Duchene flipped the puck high over the heads of the two defencemen and to his delight it took a

lucky bounce in front of the goaltender and went in to put the icing on the cake and guarantee us that trophy we worked so hard to obtain.

Although the shut out was ruined with one second left in the game, Kyle "The Dominator" Evans didn't seem to mind at all because the buzzer rang immediately after that goal and we were champions!

This Husky team played an outstanding hockey game with forwards J.J. Jowett, Max Ambridge, Mitchell Vasey, James Roberts, Ryan Scheffee, Dallyn Smith and Matthew Duchene doing all their individual jobs to shut down the Rockets' offense and force their defense into turnovers. What a fantastic two-way display of hockey guys, good job.

The defense can't go unnoticed either with Kyle Little, Curtis Barker, Jeffrey Dalton and Connor MacMillan playing sound hockey in both ends of the ice as well. The biggest part of the defense, who also managed to steal two games for us, was Kyle "The Dominator" Evans. When you put all these efforts together, you can't help but to win hockey games and gain respect around the league.

One of the most difficult things to do, especially on a hot, sunny, spring day like this past Saturday, is expect the boys to have any desire left to play an exhibition game and get up for it. We hosted Huntsville in the Glen Dart Memorial Tournament and although we played well in parts of the game, when you play Huntsville, you've got to play the whole game.

We allowed the Blues to come back from a 3 - 1 deficit to beat us 4 - 3 and it was clear that the season was finished, game wise, for our boys.

I omitted a very important couple from my thank you to parents last week. Dan and Sandy Ambridge did a great job at preparing our program for the tourna-

ment and deserve recognition as well.

As a last a final comment, I want to thank all those who supported the Novice "B" Huskies this year. It was a great year with a lot of learning experiences throughout that can only make the boys better and the coaching staff. I've enjoyed reporting this year to you and reliving some of those exciting hockey games when I write the article on Monday morning. Here's a recap of our year and why we earned that Championship Trophy:

• Games Played: 46, Wins: 33, Losses: 8, Ties: 6

• Two "A" Championship Tournament Victories

• One "B" Championship Tournament Victory

• Eight Wins, 1 Loss, 1 Tie in the Ppayouts for the Novice "B" Championship, a first for a Haliburton team ever!!!

A final thank you to Re/Max Haliburton Highlands Realty Ltd. and Trillium Sheet Metal for sponsorship of the Novice "B" Huskies and the support throughout the year. This is coach Vinnie making his final report of the year. See you next season!

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|                |                  |     |
|----------------|------------------|-----|
| <b>MEN</b>     |                  |     |
| High Average   | Ken Thompson     | 231 |
| High Single    | Chris Hill       | 343 |
| High Single HC | Chris Hill       | 381 |
| High Triple    | Ken Thompson     | 762 |
| High Triple HC | Chris Hill       | 826 |
| <b>WOMEN</b>   |                  |     |
| High Average   | Spira Nitos      | 205 |
| High Single    | Lorna Hicks      | 227 |
| High Single    | Lorna Hicks      | 298 |
| High Triple    | Kathleen Paudash | 547 |
| High Triple HC | Kathleen Paudash | 736 |

TUESDAY NIGHT MIXED For the Week Ending March 24/98

|                |                     |     |
|----------------|---------------------|-----|
| <b>MEN</b>     |                     |     |
| High Average   | Bruce Cummings      | 234 |
| High Single    | Eric Burke          | 399 |
| High Single HC | Chris Nichol        | 311 |
| High Triple    | Eric Burke          | 868 |
| High Triple HC | Bob Webb            | 748 |
| <b>WOMEN</b>   |                     |     |
| High Average   | Spira Nitos         | 202 |
| High Single    | Kathy Dawson-Foster | 239 |
| High Single    | Kathy Dawson-Foster | 272 |
| High Triple    | Kathy Dawson-Foster | 614 |
| High Triple HC | Kathy Dawson-Foster | 713 |

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON For the Week Ending March 18/98

|                |                 |     |
|----------------|-----------------|-----|
| <b>MEN</b>     |                 |     |
| High Average   | Ken Thompson    | 227 |
| High Single    | Ken Thompson    | 318 |
| High Single HC | Ken Thompson    | 318 |
| High Triple    | Ken Thompson    | 768 |
| High Triple HC | Ken Thompson    | 768 |
| <b>WOMEN</b>   |                 |     |
| High Average   | Marie Thompson  | 194 |
| High Single    | Helen Dentinger | 254 |
| High Single    | Helen Dentinger | 285 |
| High Triple    | Marie Thompson  | 679 |
| High Triple HC | Marie Thompson  | 754 |

THURSDAY AFTERNOON For the Week Ending March 19/98

|                |                    |     |
|----------------|--------------------|-----|
| <b>MEN</b>     |                    |     |
| High Average   | Ken Thompson       | 224 |
| High Single    | Bob Webb           | 279 |
| High Single HC | Bob Webb           | 304 |
| High Triple    | Bob Webb           | 669 |
| High Triple HC | Bob Webb           | 744 |
| <b>WOMEN</b>   |                    |     |
| High Average   | Marie Thompson     | 193 |
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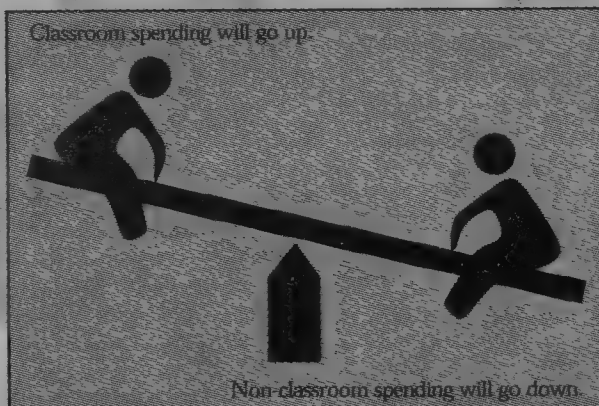
The Government of Ontario has taken another step in reforming the educational system. With the new 'Fair Funding Formula,' classroom spending will increase in every school board next year. By the year 2000 classroom spending will increase by \$583 million. Meanwhile, spending on administration will go

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## Team spirit carries Atom B Huskies to great finish

by GINNY HEMING

WOW! What a great way to wrap up another hockey season! In the last two weeks of hockey, the Atom B Huskies have been finalists in their home tournament, have won the Tri-County Teel Division championship, and have ended their season with a win in the Glen Dart Tournament. Way to go team. T meant you played Terrifically Together, E meant Endless Effort, A meant Always Accelerating as Athletes, and M meant Many Magic Moments in Hockey.

Summarizing the season gives a true picture of how hard this team has worked and how far they have come. The Atom B's started the season with a mixture of six returning players and eight new, who had to learn to play together as a team. In the first half of the season the Huskies played 23

games with seven wins, 12 losses and four ties. Each player worked hard to improve both individual skills and team play as the season progressed.

In the second half of the season the Huskies played 26 games with 18 wins, seven losses and one tie. The team effort improved 100%. As defensive players they "poke checked", "squeezed them out", "took the stick away", and "cleared the zone". As offensive players they "drove to the net", "cycled the puck", "set each other up", and "back checked to shut them down". And standing tall behind them all was goaltender Adam "Cujo" Trueman. We thank him for stepping between the pipes for the second half of the year, earning six shutouts and maintaining an amazing goals against average!!

Normally in Atom Tri-County hockey, three 10-minute periods

are played. However any chance the Huskies got they played one or two 15-minute periods each game, allowing extra ice time to develop player skills and endurance: This paid off leading into playoffs as the "Husky Hustle" was too much for their opponents, leading to triumph, trophies and the championship.

On Saturday March 28, this great season ended with a 3-1 win against the Ops Flames in the Glen Dart Tourney. This game had numerous end to end rushes with both goaltenders determined to stand tall and block them all.

Finally with 2:50 left in the first period the Huskies scored to lead 1-0. However, not to be outdone, the Flames came right back with a goal in the second to tie 1-1. This game would remain deadlocked for the rest of the second period and five minutes into the third.

The tension was temporarily

relieved with 9:58 left in the game when the Huskies would once again take the lead 2-1. This lead appeared to be short lived as a Flames player raced in on a breakaway but Trueman shut him down and extinguished the Flame. Then the Husky defence started the charge with a superb pass to the offense who then raced toward the Flames net. Another amazing pass, followed by a lunging effort, put the puck in the Flames net to give the Huskies the insurance they needed. The game ended 3-1 for the Huskies, after what seemed to be the longest 3 minutes of the year.

This was a true team effort to end the season with goals scored by Jonathan Sharpley, Nick Judge and Kyle Espie, and assists were added by Gord Timbers, Kyle Espie, Jamie Timbers, Nick Judge and Greg Dalton. Kyle Espie was picked as MVP, congratulations

Kyle, and the team Trophy was presented to the Huskies Captain Shawn Heming. A special thank you to organizers of the Glen Dart Tournament, and to all who volunteered their services for the day.

Huskies - thanks for the fun and the fantastic entertainment this year, you were a pleasure to coach. Each of you should be very proud of your individual and team accomplishments!! Thank you to Shawn Heming, Travis Burke and Gord Timbers for your team leadership and support of others.

A special thank you to Keith Dalton, Dave Chumbley and Dick Burke for your contributions to the Atom B's and for your commitment to developing youth in hockey. To the Atom B parents, fans, sponsors, minor hockey executives, and all others who helped with home games - thank you on behalf of the team.



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# Health board still confident about funding

by PETER DOWNS  
Staff Reporter

*The following are brief reports of items discussed at Thursday's meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board.*

Board chairman Hugh Nichol says he's confident the board will be able to arrange additional financing to cover an increase in the projected cost of upgrading the county's health-care facilities.

Nichol told board members he's spoken to riding MPP Chris Hodgson to emphasize the need to receive more funding through the joint federal and provincial infrastructure funding program.

The projected cost of renovations at Hyland Crest and Haliburton Hospital has risen to about \$18-million.

That's up from the \$13.7-million the board has already received approval to spend under the infrastructure program, where the board, Ottawa and Queen's Park each pay an equal share of the costs.

Costs are expected to rise because the scale of the two projects has been expanded from original plans. As well, the Ministry of Health brought in stricter, more costly building requirements for long-term care bedrooms part-way through the planning process.

However, the board has been told it may be able to qualify for more infrastructure money which would help absorb the increase.

Nichol told board members government officials indicated to executive director Foster Loucks at a meeting last week that the board might be able to receive an additional \$1.5-million in infrastructure funding.

That money, plus the \$1.6-million the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation has raised for the work and the \$13.7-million already approved would give the board a construction budget of about \$16.8-million — approximately \$1.2-million shy of the \$18-million the board feels is needed to cover all costs involved with the upgrades.

However, Nichol said he believes the board will be able to arrange enough funding to cover the shortfall.

Originally, the province had agreed to give the board \$6.5-million for the renovations. When the projects were approved under the infrastructure program it actually reduced the province's costs by nearly \$2-million because the federal government took on a one-third share of the funding.

Nichol said he's hoping Queen's Park will consider the money it's saving and contribute more toward the projects.

"I'm confident we're going to get financing on this at \$18-million," he said. "... I think we're going to here on this within the next week."

Nichol was also optimistic that construction would begin this summer — though possibly not as early as July 1, as was originally hoped.

## 'Helpful meeting'

The Health Services Restructuring Commission told Ministry of Health officials at a meeting last week that they are in favour of the board's capital projects moving ahead as planned, said Foster Loucks, executive director of the HHS.

Loucks was at the meeting on Monday with representatives from the Ministry and the commission, which recently released its report on health-care services in this district.

While the commission endorses

the board's plans, it has said it will decide on the "scope of services" to be offered at Haliburton Hospital and Hyland Crest only after it receives input on their roles from the area's district health council.

It recommended decisions regarding capital investment in the board's projects wait until the Ministry hears what services the DHC suggests the two sites offer.

The ruling had the potential of delaying the planned start of construction this summer.

But Loucks said commissioner

Mario Tino explained that the commission didn't intend to stand in the way of work progressing on the projects.

"I thought it was a helpful meeting," he said. "... (The Ministry) heard very clearly that the commission wanted to see us move forward."

Loucks said he expects to receive a letter from the Ministry giving the board direction to proceed.

## Operation budget

The board intends to send a letter of support in response to

the operational budget increase recommended by the Health Service Restructuring Commission.

The commission suggested in its report that the board's annual budget be hiked by \$190,000.

Nichol said he feels the board has been underfunded since its inception.

While the commission also seems to feel the board should have more money, it can't order the province to provide it.

"The Ministry has said it will give (the recommendation) consideration," said Loucks.

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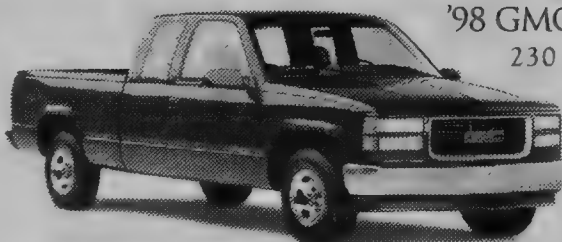
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On Saturday night, the Monmouth Figure Skating Club presented its annual carnival, and once again, the skating was delightful and the costumes were a big part of the fun. Clockwise from top left: Imagine what you can see "Under the Sea" with Melissa Bryan, Jackie Burt, Christopher Durga, Jessica Foulds and Nikole Watson; Jenna Bowcott and Jim Ellison gave a powerful performance as guest artists; Welcome to Munchkin Land with Heather Cumming, Harley Foulds, Lauren Graham, Caitlan Hunter, Megan McDuff, Kristen Nicholson, Michael Nicholson and Khristen Schultz, led by Kristy Smith; Robin Jones was one of the soloists; Ashley Alden, Amanda Bolger, Billie Rose Clarkson, Jennifer Cumming, Erin DesChamps and Amanda Petrie did the Space Jam



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## Wilberforce carnival is worthy of Broadway

by HILDA CLARK

The Monmouth Figure Skating Club members in their presentation Music From The Marquee, delighted their audience at the arena on Saturday evening. From the opening number featuring senior skaters who emerged from mists rising from the ice to the music of Phantom of The Opera and Jurassic Park to the grand finale "There's no Business Like Show business," this proved an entertaining program.

The skaters are to be congratulated for their musicality, their developing skills and their audience awareness. The routines were well practiced and the costumes and props effective.

Club soloists were Crystal Alden (two numbers), Erika Howe, Robin Jones, Shane Outram and Kate Foulds. Guest skater Jenna Bowcott (Lakefield) and Jim Ellison (Ennismore) skated two fine programs. In this 1997/98 season, they placed fourth at Sectionals and sixth at Divisionals. They hope to make the 1998/99 Junior Canadian Team. They certainly entertained well with an exciting presentation.

Racheal Outram and Nicole Forget teamed up for a skating duet, and impressively sang O Canada at the start of the evening. Other duets (pairs) were Meghan Foulds and Robin Jones in "You've Got a Friend in Me", and Jesse Quibell and Kristy Smith in the "Right Side of The Road".

Kristy Smith and Shane

Outram are to be congratulated for their ability and willingness in leading younger groups of skaters in their numbers.

Christina Alden, Veronica Ablett and Kate Foulds presented an interesting "Men in Black."

Applause to skating coach Tracy Dion, volunteer coach Lynda Whitefield and the senior skaters who weekly help the juniors in addition to their own lesson. Bravo to the executive Della Outram, Judy Cumming, Gail Alden and Lynda Whitefield, to costume props and scenery makers, and music people for a good evening and a year of good programs for the young people.

The community is terribly saddened by the sudden death of Pat Gallen. Pat, a true gentleman and a fine citizen will be missed by his friends and neighbours. He will be remembered for many different reasons. He was a good husband, loving and supporting his late wife Phyllis, who was in poor health in her later years. In many quiet ways he gave in support of community activities such as youth hockey. He was the gentle, yet stalwart heart and soul of Legion Branch 624. His comrades there will especially miss him, and remember him for his generous, kind nature and his support of, and partnership in, the rites and ceremonies of the Legion. He brought out the best in everyone. By giving his best, others followed his example. He fought the good fight. "At the going down of the sun and in the morn-



With Saturday's open house celebrating an exhibit by local photographers, the Rails' End Gallery in Haliburton re-opened its doors for another exciting season. The photography show is a fine beginning. At left, some of the photographers gather to be on the other side of the lens: Kneeling: Archie Briggs and Lorry Brandon. Standing: Warren Riley, Margery Cartwright, Michael Shirley, Ollie Liden, Pamela Kinney and Anne Roberston-Dunec. Below are three of Lorry Brandon's photos: a detail of a wooden boat, an abandoned truck and one of the participants in the Haliburton rodeo.

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# The search is on for kids who care about the planet

April 8 is the kick-off to the third Annual Great Canadian Eco-Search. This national awards program presented by POP! Magazine and sponsored by The Co-operators recognizes kids, kids' clubs and schools who have made the greatest impact in their efforts to help protect nature, wildlife and the environment in the 1997-1998 school year. The Eco-Search is open to Canadian elementary and junior/senior schools, clubs and kids up to age 14.

Do you know kids, kids' clubs or schools who are working hard to protect nature, wildlife and the environment? To enter, kids, clubs or schools must answer the following questions:

1. What is your concern?
2. What have you done about it this school year?
3. What are you planning to do about it in the

future?

Entrants are encouraged to send photos, drawings, videos or letters to support their submissions.

"We created The Great Canadian Eco-Search as a way to spread the word that kids care and kids are making a difference to protect our planet. Earth Day (April 22) is around the corner and the Search is a great way to reflect on and celebrate kids' environmental achievements across Canada," said Angie McLean, Youth Education Specialist for POP! Magazine.

"It is very important to recognize the achievements and commitment of young people to protect the environment", explains Harvey Granatier, Chairperson of the board of directors for The Co-operators "The Co-operators is committed to supporting young people who are working to make their communities a better place

to live."

"Recognizing young people's efforts is important because it sends a message to kids that they can make a difference," said 14 year old Jennifer Morrison, runner-up in the 1997 Great Canadian Eco-Search, individual category. Jennifer Morrison, along with representatives from the fields of environment, government and education, is a member of the 1998 judging panel.

The Eco-Search grand prize is \$1000 for the school, \$500 for the kids club and \$100 for the individual. Along with the cash prizes, winners will

receive computer software, great Canadian books and their stories will be featured in the Fall 1998 issue of POP! Magazine available September, 1998.

Entries for the Great Canadian Eco-Search must be received by May 16, 1998. Send them to The Great Canadian Eco-Search, POP! Magazine, P.O. Box 80079, 2850 Lakeshore Blvd. West, Etobicoke, ON M8V 4A1; For more information contact POP! at 416-503-4576 or visit their website at <www.pop-magazine.com>. The grand prize recipients will be contacted by June.

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On March 20, our Happy Hour was much enjoyed with the music of a wonderful group, Gentlemen of Song. This group hails from Wilberforce and consists of 10 gentlemen and two

ladies. One of the ladies provides the music on piano while the other lady conducts. A great time we had and we hope they will return at some time in the future.

Over the weekend, there were quite a few visitors to our home. Ann Knight and her "Country Canines" were here. Thank you Ann for allowing us the opportunity to enjoy your lovely Shelties. Also, Bert Bonnell provided some beautiful music on piano.

Rowland Sedgewick, who has been ill recently, was visited by his daughters.

Rev. Burgess arrived for pastoral visitations. We are

glad to see him improving after his eye surgery.

Welcome back, Linda. We know that the weather wasn't always the best but we're glad to hear you enjoyed your vacation.

Tom McAllister is now back home after his surgery and we hear he is improving greatly.

Also, Robbie has been discharged from Sunnybrook. He will be at the Haliburton Hospital for another week or so. Keep up the good work, Robbie. We look forward to having you with us once again.

Tuesday afternoon Kim Hicks, our dietitian, presented "fibre facts" to us. We found her presentation

very interesting and informative. Thank you, Kim.

Bessie Burk has a young visitor, Myles Nicholson. We also benefit from this young man who delights us with his wonderful talent on the piano. He delivers the most beautiful renditions. We hope he will continue his music.

Hurray! We participated in our first bus trip of the year. On Wednesday, March 25 some of us visited the Brady Lake Deer Feeding Area. It was great to be out and about again, running the roads. We look forward to planning future trips.

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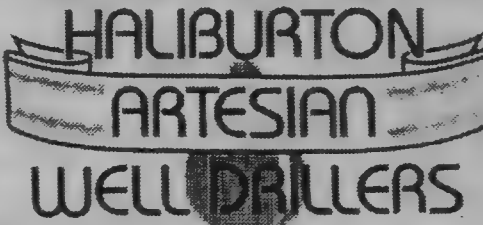
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On Saturday afternoon, the Anglican Parish of Minden-Kinmount held a going-away tea for Joan and Brian Parker (wearing a specially-made shirt of Highlands tartan). The priest and his family have been in the parish for nine years and this week will be moving to a new charge in Toronto. Such partings are always bittersweet: excitement about the future but regret for having to leave so many friends and favourite places behind.

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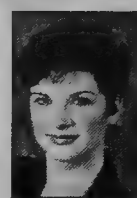
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## DORSET

News

**Phyllis Briscoe**  
766-2237

A happy birthday to Erin Cunningham, Cole Greenaway,

## Two fine men are mourned

by Yvonne Penney  
Carnarvon News

I haven't written any news for a while but some weeks, nothing much happens in a small community like Carnarvon and sometimes, I am much too busy. During March break, we had our daughter Joanne and two grandchildren visiting here and in Georgetown. Many others had grandchildren visiting as well.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Kathleen Owens and Eleanor Cooper and family. Their father, Neilson Owens, passed away last week after a lengthy illness.

Our community church now has comfortable pew cushions for our congregation thanks to two of our members' talents.

This winter has been a hard one for our senior men. Another of our senior citizens passed away last week. Bert Gillies, former lumberman and veteran of the Second World War, has lived here along with his wife Bernice for over 20 years. They had a cottage in the area for many years previous to moving here from Toronto. Memorial and Legion services were held in Minden last Saturday. I feel privileged to have known this very interesting man and he will be missed.

## Couples' Branson trip very much enjoyed

by ELEANOR COOPER  
West Guilford News

Travellers on the bus trip to Branson, Missouri were Erma Sisson, Carol and Lyle Stamp, Linda and Shane Sisson, and Alice and Leon Jones. All enjoyed the time very much.

Brendan Sorchetti, a chum of Kristopher Cox's, was a visitor with the Cox's of Lakeside Golf Course, over the March break. J'Nan Yateman and son Derek of Bowmanville and Ryan Sisson or Waterdown were home with Shirley Sisson for the March break.

Now he is gone. My dad, Neilson Owens, who had struggled with bone cancer, finally lost the battle and was released from this life on March 24, 1998 and, I am certain, entered eternal life. Lines from Emily Dickinson come to mind:

I never saw the moon  
I never saw the sea  
Yet know I how the heather looks

And what a wave must be.  
I never spoke with God  
Nor visited in heaven  
Yet certain am I of the spot  
As if the chart were given.

Emily Shortreed, Kimberly Speilberg, Adam Jones and Rick Morris.

Congratulations to Ted and Gloria Morris, who celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary on April 2nd.

Be sure to set your clock forward before you go to bed on Saturday, April 4th or you will get up Sunday morning an hour early and wonder why everyone else is acting peculiar, like it is an hour later. It can get very confusing. I can never be sure

whether we win an hour or lose an hour. Anyway, its great to have nice long days of daylight. We are just past the middle of the period between the shortest day in the year and the longest.

The Mobile Employment Van will be at the Dorset recreation Centre on Monday, April 6th and Tuesday, April 7th, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to help with job resumes and other employment needs. This service is free.

One of the most delightful aspects of living with a cat is the

cat's serene conviction of equality.

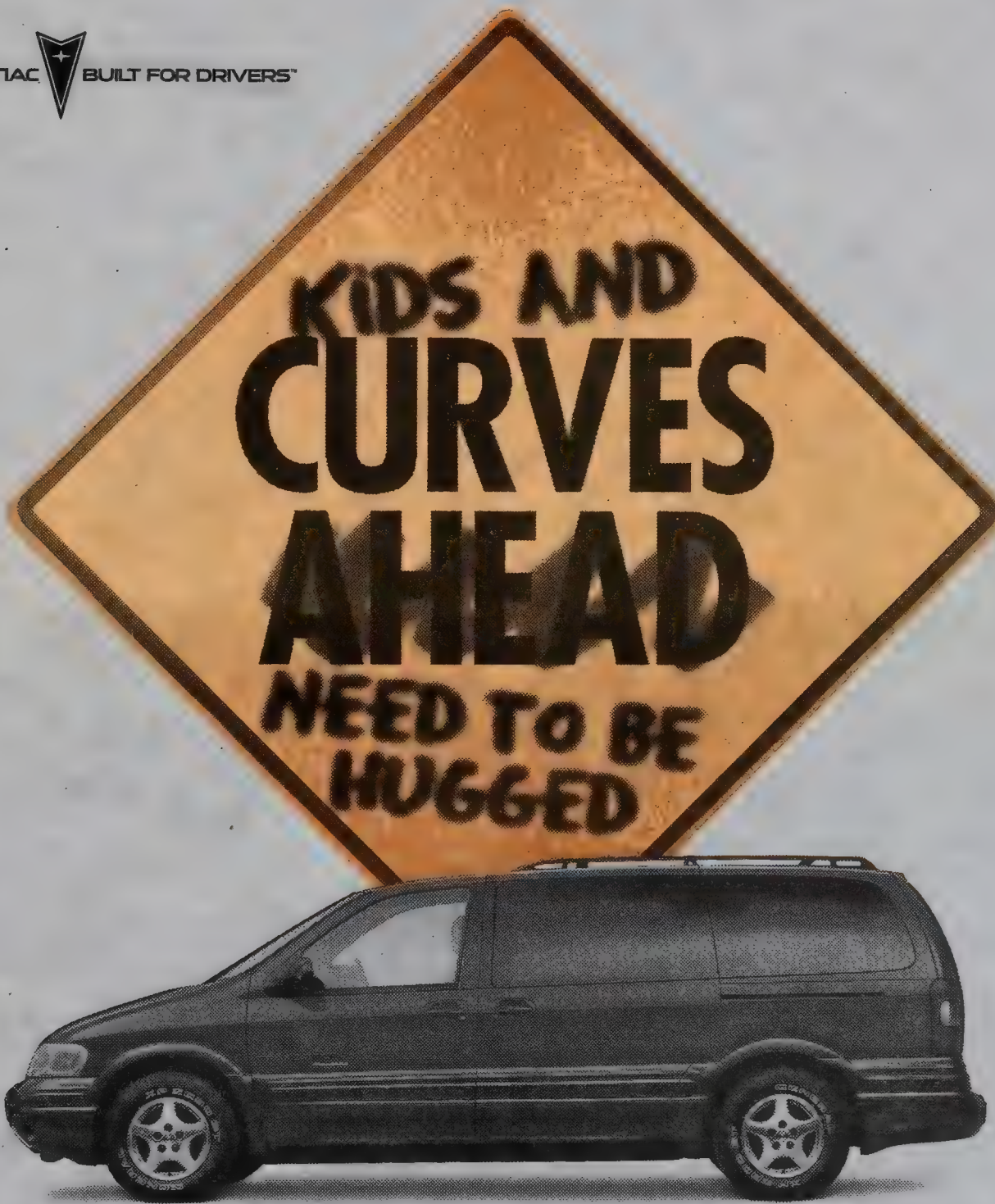
There have been sightings of robins in the community. We hope they aren't unpleasantly overwhelmed by an unscheduled snow storm. If that happens, we hope they find a barn where they can keep themselves warm and hide their heads under their wings.

The Lake of Bays Anglican Parish held their united service at St. Mary Magdalens, Dorset, this past Sunday. St. Ambrose,

Baysville and St. James, Port Cunnington, were well represented, joining the congregation in a Holy Bucharest service.

The Tall Pines Snowmobile Club will be holding its annual general meeting Sunday, April 5 at 10 a.m. The meeting will be held at The Fiery Grill Restaurant in Dorset. Everyone is welcome.

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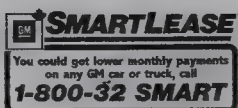
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# Committee will take a community approach to dealing with elder abuse

by RUTH STILL  
Seniors Today

The executive of the Haliburton County Elder Abuse Committee met on March 24 to set parameters of the new organization.

The H.C.E.A.C. shall develop and implement a plan to recognize, address and prevent all forms of senior abuse, with objectives to:

1. ascertain all available existing resources and services
2. educate the community at large re senior abuse
3. develop sources of funding support for this committee
4. communicate our message effectively to the public

The executive shall be 6-10 members. At present

there are nine.

Ad hoc committees on Resources, Publicity, Education and Finance shall be appointed as needed and shall report to the executive.

The executive shall meet monthly on the fourth Tuesday. The location to be rotated throughout the county.

Bi-yearly General Meetings are planned. The next one will be on April 14, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. at Echo Hills, Home Support Services in Haliburton.

We are looking for resources to combat Senior Abuse so come prepared to share and to volunteer on the committee in your area of interest.

The committee's executive is: Chairperson, Bob Mitchell; Vice President, Sheila Whiting; Treasurer,

Ian Moorhouse; Secretary, Leith Clarke; Directors - Publicity, Ruth Still; Education, Jude King and Art Goard, OPP; Government, Beth Archibald and Ann McCracken.

Elder abuse is now recognized as a global problem. Our awareness of the problem in Haliburton County is timely.

Educating the public to recognize the problem and encouraging those first victims to come forward for help must be backed by resources of rescue, counselling, care and, if need be, safe accommodation.

The resources are there to be mobilized - the police, doctors, nurses, ministers, Haliburton Home Support, VON and, above all, neighbours.

## Weekend's flea market opens another new season for Legion Br. 129 Ladies Auxiliary fundraising

by ANNE MCKAY

Twelve Br. 129 members attended the Royal Canadian Legion Zone Convention in Sunderland on Sunday, March 22.

Although the weather was not very good, the Ladies Auxiliary flea markets opened the season on March 28. The next one will be held April 25. Something for everyone.

Nominations will be held on Thursday, April 2 at the General Meeting at 7 p.m. Please plan to attend and choose your executive and exercise your vote.

The Club Room will be

open on Sunday, April 5 from noon to 6:00 p.m. Enjoy the NASCAR races on the large screen. Legion is closed on Good Friday, April 10.

On Saturday, April 11 there will be a ham roll at 3 p.m. Calendar draw will be held then.

For all Scots and those who wish they were, the Royal Canadian Legion presents "A Breath of Scotland" - comedy, music, songs - on Tuesday, April 21. Admission \$10. Don't miss it.

On April 24, 24 and 26, the District Convention will be held at Branch 43, Oshawa. Also on April

26, International Darts between the branch and a pub in England. This annual event is on Sunday afternoon. It's carried by International Telephone. Open at 12 noon. Cost is \$4 and includes a meal. Come cheer your team on.

On April 27, the Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be held in the Schofield room at 7:30 p.m.

A meeting of the branch Executive will be held on Thursday, April 30.

There are still calendars for sale. Seven names are drawn every Friday for cash prizes. Winners' names go back in the drum. You can win many times.



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Equipment for Hire forms, sealed and clearly marked **EQUIPMENT FOR HIRE 98-15-05-05** are to be received at the Roads Department Office, St. Germain's Street in Minden, no later than **Monday, April 13, 1998 at 2:00 p.m.**



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This road, located 2.5 km north of the Leslie M. Frost Natural Resources Centre (off Hwy. 35), will be closed to vehicle traffic under Section 52 of the Public Lands Act, R.S.O. 1990.

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Hwy. 35 Bypass  
Minden ON K0M 2K0  
Tel.: (705) 286-1521



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## NOTICE

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Mary Jane Irwin, A.M.C.T.  
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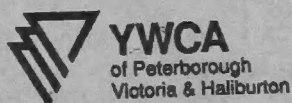
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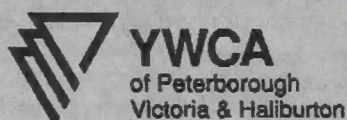
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**THOMAS** - Bob and Lori Thomas  
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pleased to announce the arrival of  
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### NOAH MICHAEL THOMAS

born at St. Joseph's Hospital in Sar-  
nia, March 18, 1998 weighing 7 lb.  
13 oz. Proud grandparents are Jean  
(nee Thomas) and Bob McAuley of  
Pudash, and Dick and Nina Bat-  
tiston of Corunna.

## 708 OBITUARIES

**GALLEN, PATRICK "PAT"** (resi-  
dent of Wilberforce, Ontario) - Sud-  
denly at Wilberforce on Friday,  
March 27, 1998 in his 87th year.  
Beloved husband of the late Phyl-  
lis Dempsey. Lovingly remembered  
by his sister-in-law Nadine (Mrs.  
Arnold Wessels) of Belleville, brother-in-law Joseph Dempsey of Con-  
secon and brother-in-law Bruce  
Graham of Ameliasburg. Sadly  
missed by many nieces and  
nephews. Predeceased by his  
brother James. Also lovingly re-  
membered by his extended family  
in Ireland. Friends called at the  
**HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FU-  
NERAL HOME**, Hwy. 118, Hal-  
iburton on Sunday. Funeral service  
was held in the Chapel on Monday,  
March 30. Spring interment South  
Wilberforce Cemetery, Wilberforce.  
As expressions of sympathy, do-  
nations to the Royal Canadian Leg-  
ion - Poppy Fund or the Haliburton  
Highland Health Services Founda-  
tion (HHHS Foundation) would be  
appreciated by the family. A Leg-  
ion service was held Sunday  
evening, March 29 at the funeral  
home. CA

**HAYWOOD, IVAN** (resident of  
Gooderham, Ontario) - At Sunny-  
brook Hospital in Toronto after a  
brief illness on Saturday, March 28,  
1998 in his 65th year. Ivan Richard  
Haywood was the beloved husband  
of Rosealeen. Dear father of  
Dawsey (Cheryl-Ann), Douglas  
(Jacqueline), Jackie, Reginald  
(Dona-Lee) and Kevin, all of Good-  
erham. Dear grandfather of Andrew,  
Holly, Dalton, Dylan, Dustin and Brit-  
tany. Survived by sisters Hazel  
(Mrs. William Madill) of Beaverton,  
Irma (Mrs. Ross Madill) of Gooder-  
ham, Vera (Mrs. William Godfrey)  
of Oshawa and Norma Parnell of  
Gooderham. Also survived by broth-  
ers Ross and Marlow, both of  
Gooderham. Also remembered by  
many nieces and nephews. Pre-  
deceased by Beatrice (Mrs. Bruce  
Staley) and Patsy and by his par-  
ents Allan and Irma Haywood.  
Friends called at the **HALIBURTON  
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Hwy. 118, Haliburton on Monday.  
Funeral service in the Chapel on  
Tuesday morning, March 31 at 11  
o'clock. Interment Glamorgan  
Cemetery, Gooderham. CA

**OWENS, G. NEILSON** - On Tues-  
day, March 24, 1998 at Village Re-  
tirement Centre, Pickering, in his  
92nd year, surrounded by his lov-  
ing family. Beloved husband of  
Thelma, father of Kathleen Owens  
and Eleanor and Earl Cooper of  
West Guilford, June and Donald  
Campbell of Barrie, and Mavis and  
Don Swiston of Burlington. Prede-  
ceased by his wife Elsie Bigelow  
and sister Georgina Bowins. Lov-  
ingly remembered by seven grand-  
children and 11 great grandchildren.  
Devoted member of St. Andrew's  
Presbyterian Church, Ajax. The  
family received friends at the  
McEachnie Funeral Home, 28 Old  
Kingston Road, Ajax (Pickering Vil-  
lage) on Thursday and Friday. A  
complete funeral service was held  
on Saturday, March 28 at St. An-  
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## 708 OBITUARIES

drew's Presbyterian Church, Ajax.  
Interment to be held in the spring at  
Barrie Union Cemetery. Donations  
may be made to the Toronto Hos-  
pital Cardiac Centre or the Red  
Cross, Durham Branch.

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don A. Monk Funeral Home, 127  
Main St., Minden. Interment in the  
spring at Maple Lake United Church  
Cemetery. Sincere thanks go to Dr.  
Axler and the entire staff at Nisbet  
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the past 12 years. CA

## 709 IN MEMORIAM

**COUMBS, FLORENCE** - In loving  
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To cherish all our days.  
We miss you Mom. Lovingly re-  
membered by daughter **Doreen**,  
son-in-law **Ken** and grandchild-  
ren **Bill** and **Melanie**, **Dan** and  
**Karen**.

**MacDONALD, JOHN (JACK)** - In  
loving memory of my husband who  
passed away March 31, 1996:  
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### NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS

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ulars of such claims with the un-  
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tate on or before the 30th of April  
1998. AND take notice that after the  
last day named, the assets of the  
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ecutrix of the Estate of Merreit Stan-  
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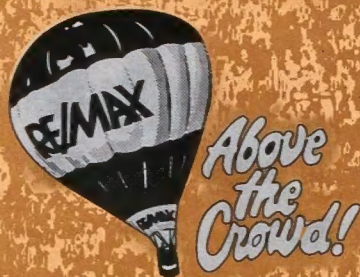
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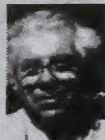
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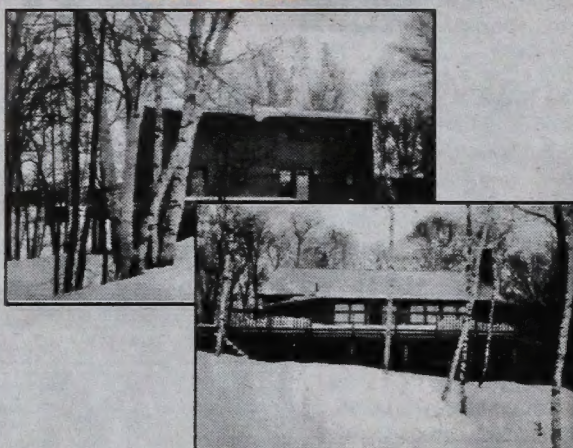
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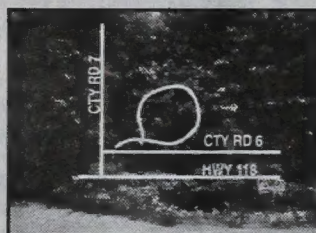


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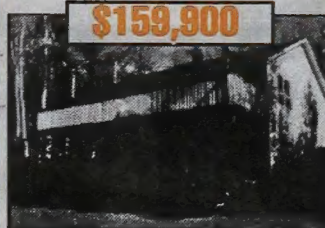
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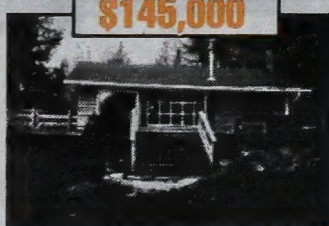


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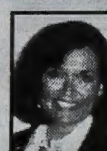
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